

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, ATLANTA (44-2386)      DATE: 4/15/68

FROM : SA JOHN E. OGDEN  
SA ROGER L. KAAS

SUBJECT: MURKIN

RE: SECOND INTERVIEW OF JIMMIE D. GARNER, 4/15/68.

SAs KAAS and OGDEN interviewed FRED C. JONES, tenant who first met GALT when he, GALT initially came to rent a room at instant address. JONES mentioned individual named LEE (possibly GALT) in Room 206 and another individual named ANDERSON, who became friendly with "LEE". On 4/9/68, LEE and ANDERSON came to JONES' room and told him they were leaving then for Chicago for jobs as welders. JONES described the auto they were driving as a 1960 black Chevrolet convertible.

NOTE: Agents felt that LEE and ANDERSON were actual persons and that LEE was not GALT.

JONES described LEE (WILLIAM LEE) as white male, age 35 - 38, 5' 10", 160 - 170 pounds, black crew cut.

## TERMINATION OF INTERVIEW OF JONES

GARNER called office and wanted to relate some important information to change his previous story. He advised he was "confused" and said LEE has nothing to do with it. "It appears you want the person whose name is on this envelope." He advised that ERIC S. GALT arrived 3/24/68, paid \$10.50 in advance, which paid him through 3/31. He arrived in a white car, parking same in the rear of the apartments. He advised he could not say what kind of car it was, so he asked one of his permanent tenants who parks his car in the area, who advised it was a white Mustang, not sure of the year. GALT paid on 3/24, another week in advance and GARNER said he did not have much to say to him. GALT moved into Room 2, (not 5 or 6 in either 107 or 113). GARNER said GALT had a lot of "stuff", including a TV, so he, GARNER, let him use

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a small storage room adjacent to GALT's room. GARNER described him as well dressed, neat, etc. He did not see him after 3/24, but on 3/31, GALT returned and paid him for another week. After this, on Friday, 4/5/68, they changed the linens in GALT's room, at which time they found a note from GALT to GARNER (which GARNER destroyed) which said in effect, "I have to go to Birmingham, can't take the TV now, will try to get back in a week to pick it up." GARNER unlocked the storage room for GALT initially, to store his things. At this time, everything was taken in his room, but the storage room was locked, with the TV in it. He described GALT as 33 - 35, thin face, around 6' or less, black hair, with possibly part in the middle, worn short.

NOTE: Agents advised GARNER "hard to read" in that he appeared either very frightened, "confused", etc. Possibility he is lying, but could very well be just extremely confused. He is a mild-mannered man, who never became upset at any question proposed to him. He admits being arrested approximately six weeks ago on a drunk charge and also admits to previously being arrested on the same type of charge various times.

Agents obtained guest register, which does not contain name of GALT; and letter with the printed name "ERIC S. GALT" which GARNER advised GALT printed himself.

#### POSSIBLE LEADS

- 1) 17 Film coater found in one of the drawers in room. Could tie in with item found in white Mustang. It appears individual unloaded Mustang into something else, apparently overlooked items in trunk. *Dolan*
  - 2) Check of safety deposit boxes; telephone checks for service and long distance calls over 90-day period for GARNER's phone in Room 107. *Davis*
  - 3) Interview other tenants in rooming house, under direction SAs KAAS, HAYNES and LEE. *Haynes*
- a) HAROLD WATERS, permanent tenant who recalled white Mustang. *Haynes*